

The First 24 Hours after the Establishment of the

ISLAMIC STATE

*How can we transform the present ruling systems and
government departments into an Islamic system and Islamic
departments?*

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Introduction

Announcing the establishment of the Khilafah state means a complete transformation of the state and abolition of corruption. The Khilafah state has a pyramidal framework with the Khaleefah as its head, and where all various departments, administrations and councils originate from. All this is derived according to his understanding of the Book of Allah (SWT) and the Sunnah of His Messenger (SAW). We hear nowadays the industrialised countries boasting about the welfare they provide their citizens with, by endeavouring to secure the general public services, such as water, electricity, roads, telecommunications and by making basic food, transport and health care widely available. In Islam the Khilafah state is held responsible for securing the safety of each individual and making medical care and education available to everyone. The Khilafah state would not only match what the industrialised countries provide to their citizens, instead, it would excel them; it would respect every individual and value him; it would also preserve and safeguard his religion, his property and his honour. The state would aim at satisfying the needs of every individual realistically. All this is part of the laws and rules brought by wahy (revelation).

Before designing the pyramidal framework, here are the outlines:

1. The administration is based on decentralisation.
2. The existing corruption in all governments' departments should be abolished, like employees with no real jobs, incompetent managers, the mixing of male and female employees which hampers serving the community and engages employees in mal practices. Complicated systems should also be abolished for they serve no purpose and never help achieve anything.
3. Employees wages should be increased to make them refrain from thinking about taking bribes or stealing.
4. The state should abolish all fiscal fees and rates, water and sewage rates, school fees, import and export licences and fees, council rates, ground rent, road tax and fiscal stamps. According to shari'ah, these services are the duty of the state; the state in Islam is a guardian and not a collection of fees and rates.

One of its main functions is to secure the essential needs of all its subjects and to enable each individual to acquire his luxuries according to his ability.

5. Speed in dealing with various transactions is required. To deliver a passport, for instance, should not take longer than writing the name and the relevant information. This requires the opening of several branches in various villages and towns to speed up this process. A judge should be appointed in every village or suburb according to population density and he should aim at settling each dispute in one session. The people's affairs would be dealt with in turn and as quickly as possible.

6. The person who holds the Islamic citizenship must be respected and honoured. Seating should be provided at all government departments, people should not be left queuing under the burning sun or in the rain and wind, the elderly and women should be dealt with first and human values that shari'ah encourages should be taken into consideration.

7. Employees, administrators and departments officials should be recruited according to the rules laid down by the shari'ah. It is narrated by Al-Hakim in his Sahih that the Messenger of Allah (SAW) said: *"If a man is given authority over Muslims' affairs and he appointed a man in a position while another is more worthy than him, he would betray Allah, His Messenger and the believers."* Ibn Taymiyya said on the same topic: *"If a man in authority appointed another not on merit, but because of a family tie, or an old friendship, or because he comes from the same town, or because he is from the same creed, or holds the same views, or because he belongs to the same race, like Arab, Persian, Turkish or Roman, or because he accepted a bribe or any other reasons, or because he holds a grudge against the man who is best suited for the job, or because an enmity exists between them, he would betray Allah, His Messenger and the believers, and he would commit an act that Allah (SWT) has forbidden, for He (SWT) says: ***"And let not the hatred of others make you swerve to wrong and depart from justice"*** [EMQ Surah al-Maida 5:8]*

As for the ruling system, it is centralised. It is a system of unity, not a united system. The state in Islam is one single institution which is the Khilafah. The Khaleefah is the sole body responsible and in control of all government departments, offices and administrations which serve the citizens. All the existing institutions should be abolished, especially those who supposedly serve the citizens, like the ministries syndicate and charity organisations. The Khaleefah would take charge of serving the Ummah and he alone would have the mandatory power to establish the pyramidal framework of the state according to Islam.

Framework of the State

This framework would be as follows:

The present ruling system should be abolished, whether it were royal or republican. Ministries, Houses of Parliament and local authorities should also be abolished. All syndicates, trade unions, charity organisation and political parties based on other than Islam should be abolished. The former political ruling system should be uprooted. All embassies should be closed down and all their staff should be deported. It is preferable to acquire copies of all documents and files found in embassies in order to help divulging the conspiracies of the West and the collaboration of the former system, and to help take the necessary precautionary steps in future. The Khaleefah and his executive team would replace the secular system, he will establish the following systems:

1. The Khaleefah will appoint the necessary ministers with the general power of attorney. These ministers will have the same mandatory duties as the Khaleefah, without specialising in one portfolio. They are in fact deputies of the Khaleefah with the mandate to advise in all matters.
2. The Khaleefah will appoint all the amirs of wilayas and all the governors and all other officials with special tasks.
3. The Khaleefah will appoint the supreme judge (attorney general) and the madhalim (head of the complaints tribunal), as well as the directors of various departments, the ambassadors the army commander, the kharaj (land tax) assessor, zakat collector and all other secretaries of public sectors.
4. The Khaleefah, in the capacity of Amir of Jihad will set up four departments and will appoint four secretaries to be in charge of these departments, they are the Foreign Department, War Department, the Department of Internal Security and the Department of Industry (see later).
5. The Khaleefah appoints the executive ministers in order to transmit all what is issued by the Khaleefah to the directors of various departments at home and abroad, and to report back to the Khaleefah all business undertaken by the directors.
6. It will be suggested that the Khaleefah establishes a council named 'The Supreme Council of Da'wa'. This council will have at its head the Khaleefah

and will include the directors of foreign affairs, armed forces, internal security, industrial department and some of the Khaleefah personal advisers in political and military matters, in addition to the director of finance or treasury and the director of education and culture. The duties of the council will be to design plans and methods of spreading the Islamic message world-wide. The council will meet annually and whenever necessary to review its policies, this will help the Khaleefah plan the state's policies and review them from time to time, whether in military matters or industrial, foreign policy or home affairs. The opinion of the council will not be binding on the Khaleefah.

7. As for the Shura Council or the council of the Ummah, it will be preferable to defer its establishment until the old political system is altered and until an Islamic political atmosphere is created, and until such time when the Ummah acquires an Islamic understanding and tendency (taste), so that only the ones who are faithful to Allah, His Messenger and the Ummah can be elected. The Khaleefah will also begin expanding the constitution to include solutions for all existing problems. He will assign the task of enacting the laws directly from the noble Qur'an and the Sunnah to a group of scholars, if possible, then he will table his laws to the supreme council of da'wa for debate and revision before he adopts them. He will also put outlines and details on various penal codes, evidences, trade laws, rental laws and all transactions.

The Foreign Department

This department will replace the ministry of foreign affairs in the democratic system. Its function will be to deal with all affairs and relations between the Khilafah state and foreign countries. The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department, who will be called the Secretary of the Foreign Department, or the Director of the Foreign Department. All the existing officials in the present ministry of Foreign affairs will be removed from their posts, for they represent a political system alien to Islam, and will be replaced by devoted dedicated, faithful and knowledgeable politicians. All documents and treaties signed by the former ministry will be studied in order to divulge all the treasons and traitors, they should be published as well so that the Ummah realise that the Khilafah State is faithful to its task and duty and thus support it, and so that contempt against all other Arab regimes increases, because such documents and files will show the true nature of their relationship with the colonial unbelievers.

The War Department

This department will replace the ministry of defence. Its task will be to oversee all matters concerning the armed forces like the army, police academies, military offices and training in all warfare techniques and weaponry and military planning. Muslims in the past called it *Dewan ul-Jund* (soldiers office). The Khaleefah will appoint at the head of this department a director-general, or a president or a commander. The Khaleefah will also appoint the brigadiers of various regiments, they will be faithful and devoted, unlike the former ones who spent all their time guarding the unbelieving regime by protecting and defending it. The former brigadiers will be made useful for training and for sharing their experience provided they do not hold positions of responsibility.

The army will be reshuffled and a new system will be introduced. The army will be divided and assigned to various tasks. These divisions will be called the first army, the second army, the third army etc. The first army, for instance, will defend the border - morabit army. The second, third, and fourth armies would constitute the territorial and marine forces, the fifth, sixth and seventh armies will be the air force and the army responsible of the air defence systems and equipments. The eighth army will be in charge of military engineering, it will be spread among other army divisions and will remain under the command of the brigadier general of the eighth army. It will remain however administratively supervised by the department where it is stationed. The ninth army would be assigned to the protection of strategic sites like the Khaleefah's residence, government offices, broadcasting stations, seaports and airports. New military academies and new training centres will be established and all physical and sports training of western style will be abandoned to be replaced by military training in the use of arms and warfare techniques. The level of training will be upgraded and improved, to be offensive as well as defensive. Weapons should be made available which would suit the nation of Jihad, a nation aiming at making the banner of 'There is no God but Allah, and Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah' fly all over the world. The War Department will also train the reservists who include all the Muslim males that have reached the age of 15 and over. The armed forces will receive an Islamic and political education and culture beside the military training. The training and education will have to be intense and fast so that the state can properly defend its land and air space.

The Department of Internal Security

Its duty is to supervise all security matters; it includes intelligence services, emergency services and military intelligence. The present security service will be scrapped, for its word involves spying against the Ummah and this is forbidden for Allah (SWT) says: *"And do not spy on each other" [EMQ Surah al-Hujurat 49:12]*

This department will be formed of three units independent of each other and headed by the director-general of the department.

The first Unit will collect information about the enemies, which is known as military intelligence. This unit will be forbidden from spying against any members of the army, for the words of Allah (SWT) *"do not spy"* is general in its meaning.

Evidence about the permissibility of spying against the enemy is represented in the Messenger of Allah's (SAW) initiative when he sent Abdullah ibn Jahsh in an expedition to spy on Quraish in the heart of Makkah.

The second unit will monitor the activities of foreign residents of the Islamic State, and the same evidence applies here; spying against the enemies is allowed whether they were in our country or in theirs.

The third unit will be the police. Its duty is to keep law and order, prevent thefts, and be on patrol at night. The police will be divided into several squads. One of these squads will have an executive role, they will work with the government officials such as the collectors of various levies, with the judges, governors and heads of suburbs. It is forbidden to arrest any citizen for questioning except by the police, this is to prevent giving the same mandatory powers to several authorities as is the case in the Arab countries today, where the police, gendarmes, army, emergency services and others have all the powers to arrest and question ordinary citizens. This will not be allowed in the Khilafah state; only the police will have the power to do so and with an official warrant.

Another police squad will be in charge of traffic, road safety and civil defense. They will also supervise people travelling on public transport.

A police squad will be assigned to perform a night watch, it will be equipped with the latest equipments of cameras, mobile radios and vehicles to hunt down burglars.

There will be co-ordination between the overseas intelligence unit, the home intelligence unit and the police unit. It will be preferable if they had high and equal salaries to prevent any corruption and misconduct, and to discourage the individuals within the three units from competing with each other over salaries and to make them concentrate on their jobs. The various grades will be therefore linked to the duties and not the salaries. The two intelligence services will have to work with the utmost secrecy, they will not have special uniforms, they will be allowed to buy information and gather intelligence in countries at war with the state by any legal means. Information will not be obtained by using women, drugs, alcohol etc. However, it will be allowed to buy such information from people who happen to go to such places if necessary. New techniques and methods in acquiring information about the enemy military and political moves will have to be adopted.

The Department of Industry

This department will undertake all matters related to industry, whether it were heavy industry like machine manufacturing engines and electronics or light industry or arms industry. The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general to be in charge of this department. It will replace the ministry of industry in the Capitalist system. The ministry has no say in the course which industry takes but it is left to the individuals to decide on what machines to import, like consumer goods machinery from abroad for biscuits and plastic goods manufacture. The various sections of the old ministry will all be abolished and a new team of experts will be brought in to lead the country to an industrial course where machine manufacturing and war industry will be the main priority. Devotion and competence will be the basis on which the team will be chosen, and the state will decide on the industrial policies and not the individuals, although individuals and companies will be allowed to operate.

It is necessary to concentrate from the very beginning on the manufacturing of machines and industrial plants in order to manufacture military equipment and machines to extract mineral, as well as chemical and nuclear plants. The State should also open centres for space research because a country cannot become a superpower unless it had a space programme for security and scientific purposes. The state will never accept the fairy tale of gradual industrialisation. It is a colonial concept aiming at keeping our country underdeveloped and dependent.

To back the policy of concentrating on heavy industry, we can refer to the industrial revolution launched in Europe. The U.S. used to be a French, British and Spanish colony, but this was soon changed after the industrial revolution and she became the world leader. Russia also was ruled at the turn of the century by the Tsars. And when Lenin was told that tractors should be bought from Europe to improve agricultural methods in his country he replied: "We shall not be using tractors until we manufacture them in our country." Russia now is considered the world leader in many areas like astronomy and building of submarines. These are all practical experiences which we too can benefit from in our unique bid to industrialise our country.

The Department of Finance

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general of finance with an appropriate headquarter known as Bait al-Maal. He will be in charge of financing the army and government officials, as well as compensating the people in authority who are kept away from their business, and the Islamic message campaigns abroad and the ambassadors. The department will collect funds necessary to launch machine manufacturing and arms technology programmes. It will at first rely on the funds available to the treasury of the former government and on the confiscated *riba* (interest) from banks and public companies. It will also rely on profits made by companies and institutions that cannot be privately owned like oil companies, cement and other mining companies, it will also rely on the confiscated funds of former rulers and of insurance companies, public properties or *habous* (unavailable properties and estates). Taxes will be imposed on the wealthy if necessary, these will be taken from Muslim citizens and not the *dhimmi*s (Christians, Jews and other non-Muslims living in the Islamic State). A special unit will be set up to issue gold and silver coins and bank notes. Gold will be bought from the world markets with hard currency available in the country. The gold will be deposited in the state's treasury and its equivalent value will be issued in notes and coins. Old bank notes and coins will not be devalued, but will be exchanged with the new notes which replace gold and silver reserves, so that the Khilafah state currency does not get minted and used for other purposes because it belongs to the Ummah and the State. And since the strength of the state depends on its economy, it will not be allowed for the treasury to be completely emptied like it was the case in the times of Imam Ali and other Righteous Khaleefahs. Money shall always be provided according to the treasury regular incomes.

A unit of this department will manage the *awkaaf* assets, ranging from estates and buildings etc. Some existing units of the ministry of finance will be abolished such as pensions and social security and the huge number of employees will be reduced especially those working in the central bank.

Another unit will be set up which will represent the bank of the financial department, or the State's bank. No other bank will be allowed to operate; the bank will lend money to people according to the *shari'ah* rules. Its aim will be to encourage foreign trade and imports. The budget will be set up according to the *shari'ah* rules.

The Department of Agriculture

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department which will replace the ministry of agriculture in the democratic system today. The work of this department will be to launch an agricultural revolution according to the available means, which will aim at improving elementary produce, industrial agriculture and exports. This will be by enhancing and improving farming techniques, using modern technology, and by expanding the farming lands in order to be ready in the face of possible economic embargo by the colonial powers. The department will survey the farming lands and allot the state's lands to farmers. It will also confiscate the lands which are left barren by their owners for three consecutive years according to the shari'ah. It will also assist farmers unable to buy fertilisers or seeds, by offering them grants, loans and technical advice. Some farming land should be allocated to industrial farming, like cotton, silk, linen, and hemp.

A special unit will be set up to deal with waters, this will involve working out a strategy to provide irrigation for farming, drinking water and energy generating. This unit will also aim at expanding the areas of irrigated land, and deal with potential problems emanating from dams and waterways and rivers. Another unit will deal with animal farming sites that aim at achieving self sufficiency in fish, lamb, beef, poultry and other animal produce.

The transforming of the present ministry will be first by changing its name to the Department of Agriculture, and by studying all information available to the former ministry. Advantage should be taken from past experiences, plans and surveys; agricultural experts' suggestions and recommendations will be closely studied. Woodlands will be transformed into fruit trees like olives, pine trees, pistachio trees etc. A research centre will be set up according to funds available, and no machines will be imported for this purpose lest the efforts of the state deviate from concentrating on heavy industry. It is believed that what is actually available in terms of machines is sufficient for starting. It will be also suggested to the Department to coordinate with the Institute of Agriculture so that studies become more practical rather than academical.

The Jurisdiction Department

The Khaleefah will abolish the ministry of justice with all its various units. Courts of appeal and court of cessation, county and magistrates will all be abolished. The Khaleefah will establish instead the Department of Jurisdiction with its three units:

- The Court of Madhalim (complaints)
- The Judges
- The Judges of Hisba (public order judges)

A president of this department will be appointed by the Khaleefah and will be known as the Supreme Judge (or attorney general/Judge of Judges). He will be in charge of appointing judges. This process should be speedy and should take effect immediately. A fiqh book would be adopted at the beginning by which disputes between people will be settled like the book of Al Sorkhosi entitled *Al-Mabsut* which belongs to the Hanafi school of thought, or like the book of Ibn Qudama entitled *Al-Mughni*, which belongs to the Hanbali school, this will be until such time when a constitution is laid down for the judges to be used as a guide-line in settling disputes. The present judges will be laid off, so would the lawyers, for they rule by the laws that do not have Islam as origin. No justice or piety are to be found in those laws, and besides they do not possess the fiqh with which they have to rule between the people.

Since the judges verdict in Islam is not open for criticism or review, therefore, appeal courts, courts of cessation and high courts will all be abolished. Positions will be allocated with immediate effect and special intensified courses will be held for those who show the aptitude for such position. The following initiatives will be taken in consideration:

1. Judges will have to be posted at every village and suburb so that people will not have to travel to settle their disputes.
2. Disputes will have to be settled quickly so that people's affairs are not stalled. Cases will have to be settled in over sessions except in special circumstances on which the divulging of truth may depend.

3. The media have to report only from the courts proceedings. They are not allowed to express any particular position towards any case presented to the court.

4. Appointing as many judges of hisba as possible and spreading them all over the Muslim household, for people in present times have got used to a life of unbelief, sinfulness, corruption and cheating. They have become used to violating the state's laws, because they are convinced that the state was sucking their blood and rule them by kufr laws. Once people mature and straighten up, the judges of hisba will be reduced, for by then people will base their actions according to the Islamic laws by themselves.

The Department of Education and Culture

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department which will replace the ministry of education and the arts ministry in the democratic system. The director will immediately set out to prepare new curricula for the compulsory education and for the universities. Teaching will not commence until such curricula are introduced. Meanwhile, all students will undergo military training in order to form an army of reservists. The department will launch a cultural revolution engulfing the whole Ummah, and all the facilities of advertising will be put at its disposition by the Department of Information.

An Islamic culture will be adopted from various books of fiqh and from books of Islamic political parties that worked towards establishing the Khilafah and have a political programme and a vision of how the system should operate. All books will be published and distributed among the Ummah. The culture will be taught in the mosques and by holding conferences debates, speeches, or simply by individual reading, in addition to all types of media such as magazines, newspapers, radio and television. A special course of action will be adopted in order to develop the distinct Islamic personality.

The department will pay a great deal of effort and attention to orientated education i.e. it will work towards educating future graduates whom the country will need most, such as doctors, civil engineers, industrialists, electricians, computer engineers, explosive experts. The orientation policy will also include astronomy, physics, and chemistry etc. The department will phase out subjects that are of no essential value to the Ummah such as modern languages, painting, sports, law, banking, and hotel and catering etc. Other specialised studies that the Ummah does not need such as philosophy, psychology, and sociology will all be abolished. Instead the department will devote efforts at opening public laboratories and libraries in every school, college and high street. All existing schools and universities will remain open and they will be increased by turning the present buildings which serve little purpose and which will be confiscated from the present governments. The education authority at present will be diminished and the huge army of employees will be greatly reduced. The same mandatory powers given to general department will be given to regional centres, this will be in accordance with the policy of decentralised administration.

The department will appoint the head teachers who in turn will be left with the task of contracting teachers. The curricula will be designed with the aim of

reducing the school terms and cycles. The department will take charge of the mosques, and the ministry of awqaf will be abolished. The mosques will take up the teaching of basics of fiqh, usool, tafseer, ahadith, sira and other shari'ah branches.

Only the curricula approved by the state will be allowed to be adopted in state and public schools. Special prizes will be given for every publication and invention. The state will buy and publish whatever it deems beneficial. The department will coordinate with the department of industry especially in industrial sciences like civil engineering, electrical engineering etc. The Department of Industry will be responsible for all physical sciences. The faculties of medicine and pharmaceutical research will work closely with the department of health.

The Department of Information

A director-general will be appointed by the Khaleefah to run this department. Television, radio, media, and video companies will be merged, and publishing houses and the board of censorship will be under the departments control. All films, videotapes and cassettes considered to be corrupt and immoral will be confiscated, so will all pornographic material. Books, magazines and newspapers that spread Communist and Capitalist concepts will all be confiscated, so would any literature to do with rotten concepts like secularism, democracy and socialism.

All media publications will be devoted to the da'wa, and to developing the Islamic personality and society thriving with Islam.

The department will follow a general policy based on the promotion and the teaching of the Islamic Aqeeda to everyone, listeners, viewers and readers, home and abroad. The department will play an active role in launching a campaign towards all neighbouring Muslim countries to prepare them for the reunification, and against all other existing ways of life and social trends, in order to demonstrate their rottenness and highlight the greatness of the Islamic concepts. Therefore, a close coordination is needed between this department and the Foreign Department and it will also coordinate with the Department of Education and Culture in order to promote and launch the cultural revolution at the early days of the Khilafah State.

The Health Department

The Khaleefah will appoint a director in charge of this department, it will replace the ministry of health. All units that serve little purpose will be abolished. The department will devote its efforts to treating the people and inventing medicine. It will encourage scientists to carry out research to find cures for various diseases. The department will spare all doctors the administrative work and will aim at making all medical equipment available to them. Following the policy of orientation, sufficient number of doctors will be posted all over the country. Their salaries will be substantially increased in order not to let them resort to private medical profession like is the case nowadays. Doctors nowadays do not even show enthusiasm towards their profession because of the overload they have to deal with and the huge number of patients each doctor has to treat. All this will be sorted out in the Khilafah State.

Doctors will be posted in all villages and suburbs in order to relieve pressure off cities and towns and to provide villagers with easy access to medical services. All necessary equipment will be provided to doctors in villages and cities equally. Medical laboratories and X-ray equipment will be made available in all suburbs. The department will supervise doctors' work until mismanagement and malpractices are eradicated, and to make sure that patients get proper treatment. Government hospitals will be increased, so will the number of resident doctors. Medical shelters will also be built to treat the injured and war casualties in times of Jihad. The Islamic culture will be implanted among the medical staff in order to revive their dedication. Humanitarian concepts will also be focused among doctors. The department will encourage doctors and researchers by offering prizes and bonuses. It will also coordinate with the faculties of medicine and pharmacy in order to increase practical experience among future graduates, so that their studies become more realistic and practical rather than merely academical. A prevention policy will be pursued by the department in order to protect people against fatal diseases by promoting awareness among them.

This department will also be in charge of social security, which will include looking after the elderly, needy and handicapped.

The Department of Citizenship & Passports

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department. All existing departments and registry offices will be merged. The director will preferably have the administrative experience. All employees with honorary titles and positions will be removed and corruption and bureaucracy will be abolished. The duty of this department will be restricted to issuing citizenship certificates, identity cards and passports, such documents will be printed in the country. Citizenship certificates will be permanent. Passports will only be issued for people travelling abroad. Issuing a passport should not take longer than the time it takes to write the relevant particulars. Offices will be opened at airports and border posts to facilitate procedures. Passports will be issued promptly to those holding citizenship certificates. Identity cards will be issued permanently unless widespread fraud takes place - this rarely happens in the Khilafah State.

The department will be in charge of surveys and census. A special unit will be in charge of looking after non-Muslim affairs.

The Department of Local Authorities

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department which will replace the ministry in charge of local authorities or town halls. The town halls will be given the same mandatory powers as the central administration. The town halls will carry out similar duties to those existing today, however corruption will be abolished. The department will coordinate with departments of telecommunications and transport, energy and agriculture in order to provide town halls with vital services such as telephone lines, water mains, sewerage, electric cables and road surfacing. Road surfacing will be according to international standards.

The department will be in charge of surveying buildings, taking into consideration adequate separation between neighbours and from the streets. It will be compulsory for every building to have a shelter, to protect civilians at times of Jihad, and a car park. Free public parking should also be available.

The department will be in charge of providing heating and electricity, roads streets and alleys will all be lit, this will be achieved in coordination with the Department of Energy. The department will be in charge of the burial of people who have no relatives, and will be in charge of cemeteries and their maintenance.

The department will be in charge of keeping the streets and public places tidy at all times, of collecting refuse from residential areas and factories. Public parks will be open and fruit trees will be planted, together with flowers and plants, in parks and on street borders; this will take place with coordination with the department of agriculture.

Town halls will no longer be in charge of health and safety matters in restaurants and factories, or in other commercial outlets, this will be assigned to the department of health. The town halls will no longer be in charge of control of market places and illegal dealings on parking offences etc. This will be left to the judge of hisba, for he will be in charge of punishing those who breach the law. The town halls are public service institutions and not a judiciary institution.

The Department of Customs and Trade

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for customs and foreign trade, it will replace the present customs and mukus (tax department). Control will be at border check points. The department will ban export of strategic material vital to the Ummah. It will however not ban any merchandise owned by a citizen of the Islamic State.

The department will work independently and it will aim at generating hard currency for use in foreign trade. Exports to countries with no hard currency will be discouraged. Trade balance will not be taken into consideration, the main aim will be to put as much hard currency as possible into the treasury coffers, and not to export any strategic goods and equipments. The department will deal with foreign traders according to their citizenships and not according to the origin of the goods.

If for instance a citizen of the Khilafah State bought goods from a Canadian trader, the goods will be allowed to enter the country even if they were made in the U.S. or the U.K., for the goods belong to the Canadian trader, and Canada for instance is not in a state of potential war with Muslims according to shari'ah law.

The department will coordinate with the department of finance, for the revenues of mukus (tax/levy) and ushr belong to the State treasury. All restrictions and embargoes on foreign trade will be abolished, trade relations will be conducted according to treaties and contracts the department of foreign affairs will sign with the other countries. Foreign traders will be subjected to the same taxes and levies imposed on the citizens of the Khilafah State. This will be subject to the agreements signed between the foreign affairs department and other countries.

The department will therefore coordinate with both the foreign department and the department of finance.

The Department of Post and Transport

The Khaleefah will appoint a director-general for this department. He should be very experienced and devoted. This department will replace the ministry of transport and communications. Its duties will remain as they are. Corruption and rotten practices will be abolished, like the mixing between men and women. Complicated routines will be abolished. The department will coordinate with the department of local authorities to provide an efficient service. Lines installations and connections fees will be abolished and so will all fiscal stamps.

The Department of Energy

The Khaleefah will appoint a director for this department which will ensure providing the necessary energy to the whole country ranging from coal, oil, electricity etc.

The department will be in charge of connecting electricity to every household and road and factory. Gas will also be connected wherever possible. Cables will preferably be underground, for the Muslim household is a household of Jihad, so contingency measures shall always be considered.

A special policy will be undertaken by the Khaleefah when pricing energy services. Any surplus will be given back to individuals in the form of subsidies, and the rest will be put in the state's treasury.

Energy is like water, safety and education. They are essential needs which should be provided by the state to every individual. The department will concentrate on generating energy from its various sources, waterways, wind, steam, sun and others to supply factories and encourage industry.

Finally, these were the outlines of the ruling systems' framework and of the state's various departments in the Islamic State. There are undoubtedly similarities between these departments and their opposites in the Capitalist system. However, the main difference is that the Islamic State looks after every single individual of the Ummah if he cannot look after himself, whereas the state in the Capitalist system makes the necessities available within society without necessarily enabling or helping the individual to have access to such necessities. That is why there are many deprived and needy people.

Other ministries and institutions will be abolished such as the ministry of tourism, the ministry of sports, arts, etc. These activities will be practiced in schools and colleges in accordance with the needs of the Ummah. No such ministries need to be established and no such clubs need to be founded. Besides, sport has become a colonial ploy to divert people's attention from the mischiefs and rottenness of the Capitalist and Socialist systems, and to divert the sons of the Ummah from their doctrine, political and military matters. Sport, without the purpose of training for Jihad, is time wasting and damaging to youngsters moral, especially womens' sports. However, individuals will not be prevented from practising any activity or hobbies in the area of mubah (permissible) . All beauty contests and modelling agencies, art galleries, musical

halls and dance halls or any activity prohibited by shari'ah will be abolished. Even the mubah activities which lead to corrupt morals will be abolished. The judges of hisba will be in charge of these matters. They pass judgement on the spot and without court hearings. The executive police will carry out punishment on the spot as well according to the judges of hisba sentencing.

Muslim youths should realise that sport and training has a nobler objective in Islam. It is Jihad in the way of Allah and the protection of Muslim land. Even tourism has a nobler objective, it is also Jihad in the way of Allah. Here follows the evidence from our Messenger Muhammad (SAW).

A man came to the Messenger of Allah (SAW) and asked him: *"Would you allow me to go sightseeing O Messenger of Allah?"* He (SAW) replied: *"The tourism for my Ummah is Jihad in the way of Allah!"* The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said: *"Teach your children shooting, swimming and horse riding."* Muslim reported on the authority of Okba ibn Amer that the Messenger of Allah (SAW) said: *"He is not of us he who learns shooting then neglects it."*

Finally, we leave you here with a tentative view of the outlines of the practical steps which help changing the present framework and departments and institutions. We ask Allah (SWT) to make this work an encouraging step to all those working to establish the Khilafah. The intention will always be to please Allah (SWT).